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Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 05/20/08 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

a)- Claim 9 was rejected on previous office action, as is indicated on page 4 of office action and cover form PTO-326. However, the Office acknowledges a typographic error, regarding claim 9, on the last paragraph of page 3.

b) - Addition of backbone forming polymers to claim 1 is not entered. However, the proposed amendment, does not exempt the instant claim from prior art. This is rejected in claim 5. Colgate-Palmolive does indeed inherently possess backbone forming film with the identical ingredients of instant claim such as methyl cellulose; [Pg-10, L.10, 45], starch; [Pg-11, L.43], and propylene glycol; [Pg-5, L.2-4]. It should be noted that materials such as cellulose, starch and gelatin are all considered cellulose derivative substances and belong to polysaccharide family of chemicals, which are the essential film forming material in the soap. In addition, with respect to cellulose derivative backbone material, Mabley is also a very identical prior art for utilizing methyl cellulose as a film forming agent in single use personal soap.

c) - rejections of claims 1-8, 10, and 15-20 are still valid and in effect, even in the absence of gelatin.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dr. M. Reza Asdjodi whose telephone number is (571)270-3295. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8:00-5:00 EST.

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